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THE CLAIMS

1. (Original) A waste receptacle transport device, comprising:  
  
a vehicle attachment device that is configured for removable adhesion to a body surface of an automobile; and  
  
a waste receptacle attachment device attached to said vehicle attachment device, wherein said waste receptacle attachment device includes a handle attachment device that is removably securable about a handle of a wheeled waste receptacle.
2. (Original) The device of claim 1, wherein the removable adhesion is provided by a suction cup or magnet.
3. (Original) The device of claim 1, wherein the vehicle attachment device comprises a multi-positionable bracket to provide angular adjustability of said vehicle attachment device.
4. (Original) The device of claim 1, wherein said handle attachment device comprises a flexible, elastomeric strap, a hook and loop fastener, a bungee cord or metal chain.
5. (Original) The device of claim 1, wherein said waste receptacle attachment device comprises a bar that is coupled to said vehicle attachment device.
6. (Original) The device of claim 5, wherein said bar is presented in a straight or y-shaped configuration.

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7. (Original) The device of claim 5, wherein said bar includes at least one aperture adapted to receive the handle attachment device.

8. (Original) The device of claim 1, wherein said vehicle attachment device and said waste receptacle attachment device are operatively connected at opposing ends of at least one linkage member.

9. (Original) The device of claim 8, wherein said at least one linkage member comprises an offset linkage member.

10. (Original) The device of claim 8, wherein said at least one linkage member comprises a flexible linkage member.

11. (Original) The device of claim 1, wherein said vehicle attachment device comprises a securement strap adapted to simultaneously attach to the vehicle attachment device and a vehicle body.

12. (Original) A method for towing a residential waste container from a loading location to a collection location comprising:

coupling a vehicle attachment device on a towing apparatus to a body surface on a tow vehicle;

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securing a container attachment device on the towing apparatus to a handle on the residential waste container;

driving the tow vehicle from the loading location to the collection location such that the residential waste container rolls on a pair of container wheels behind the tow vehicle.

13. (Original) The method of claim 12, further comprising:

removing the vehicle attachment device from the body panel on the tow vehicle once the residential waste container is positioned at the collection location.

14. (Original) The method of claim 13, further comprising:

releasing the container attachment device from the handle of the residential waste container to facilitate storage of the towing apparatus.

15. (Original) The method of claim 12, wherein coupling a vehicle attachment device on a towing apparatus to a body surface on a tow vehicle comprises attaching the vehicle attachment device to a rear body surface or a side body surface of the tow vehicle.

16. (Original) A towable waste container comprising:

a waste receptacle having a pair of wheels and a hinged lid; and

a vehicle attachment device that is configured for removable adhesion to a body surface of an automobile;

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wherein said vehicle attachment device is operably attached to said hinged lid with at least one linkage member such that attaching said vehicle attachment device to a body surface of a vehicle allows for towing of said waste receptacle.

17. (Original) The towable waste container of claim 16, wherein said at least one linkage member is selectively removable from said hinged lid.